

GRADE 10 SUBJECT CHOICE,

THE FET PHASE

.... AND BEYOND

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Critical competencies



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STRUCTURE OF THE EVENING:

- Setting the scene ...
- Higher Education expectations
- Spotlight on the boys
- Subject Choice
- How parents can assist
- The way ahead



SETTING THE SCENE



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The world of work??



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Future-proof your career



In a post-covid world, the people who will be valued will be....

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People who can...

- ❑ **adapt** to ever-evolving workplaces and update/refresh their skills often
- ❑ be comfortable and effective with **new tech** tools
- ❑ **invent**, dream up new products and ways of working
- ❑ understand and work with data (and **make better decisions** because of it)
- ❑ objectively **evaluate information** from diverse sources for credibility
- ❑ keep **the digital business** thriving when in-person business is less efficient
- ❑ bring out the best and inspire teams, as well as encourage **collaboration**
- ❑ be aware of, express, and **control our emotions** and be aware of others' emotions



HIGHER EDUCATION

EXPECTATIONS

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“Bachelor’s Pass”

- Pass matric (NSC)
- Four subjects, excluding LO, above 50%
- Minimum requirements are mostly irrelevant.
- Each faculty and university has its own entrance requirements

- National Bench Mark Test (NBT)
- Special requirements, like a portfolio
- Grade 11 November results
- Mathematics, Science
- **POINTS!!**

OUR ADVICE!

- A broad foundation which develops 21st century competencies



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OUR ADVICE!

- A passion for learning
- Very few subjects are actually required
- Check admission requirements



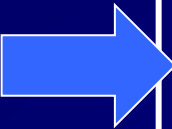
SPOTLIGHT ON THE BOYS ...

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THE NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK

8. Doctorates 7. Higher degrees 6. First degrees 5. Diplomas	HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING BAND University / Technikon / Colleges / Professional bodies
SCHOOL EXIT CERTIFICATE: NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE	
4. Grade 12 3. Grade 11 2. Grade 10	FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING BAND
1. Grade 9 Senior Phase Intermediate Phase Foundation Phase	GENERAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING BAND



How we aim to help their quest

- A catalyst for thought and self-examination
- An inspiration to aim as high as possible
- Manage the tension between dreams and reality
- A resource base
- A support wherever applicable and appropriate



What have we done as a school?

- Interactive web site: PACE Career Centre
- A basic interest/aptitude questionnaire
- Information on all careers related to these fields
- Values, personality traits, aptitudes, subjects recommended
- Direct links to universities; opportunity to email specific questions
- Workbook prepared for portfolio – P74 e-manual
- Individual help to make some preliminary choices
- FET: Interviews, job shadows, Open Days, talks by tertiary institutions, Career Library, assistance with applications, intranet webpage, Career Forum Society; Annual career expo



What we cannot do...

- Guarantee admission to the institution of choice
- Warn every boy of every change in every course in every institution on every continent 😊
- Build a young man's CV
- Take responsibility for his application
- Make the final career choice for him

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SUBJECT CHOICE

- FET REQUIREMENTS
- HOW TO CHOOSE SUBJECTS

FET REQUIREMENTS

FEATURES OF THE NSC

- ✓ NO higher or standard grade
- ✓ FOUR COMPULSORY subjects
- ✓ NO aggregates. 7 - point rating scale.
- ✓ Name changes for some subjects

FOUR COMPULSORY SUBJECTS

AND

THREE ELECTIVE SUBJECTS

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COMPULSORY SUBJECTS

1. Home Language
2. First Additional Language
3. Mathematics or Mathematical Literacy
4. Life Orientation

LANGUAGES

- HOME LANGUAGE

reading and writing skills

- FIRST ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE

listening, speaking, reading, writing

- SECOND ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE

listening and speaking skills

MATHEMATICS/ MATHEMATICAL LITERACY?

Mathematics

- More theoretical and tertiary requirement
- Pre-requisite in order to take Physical Science
- Replaces Higher and Standard Grade

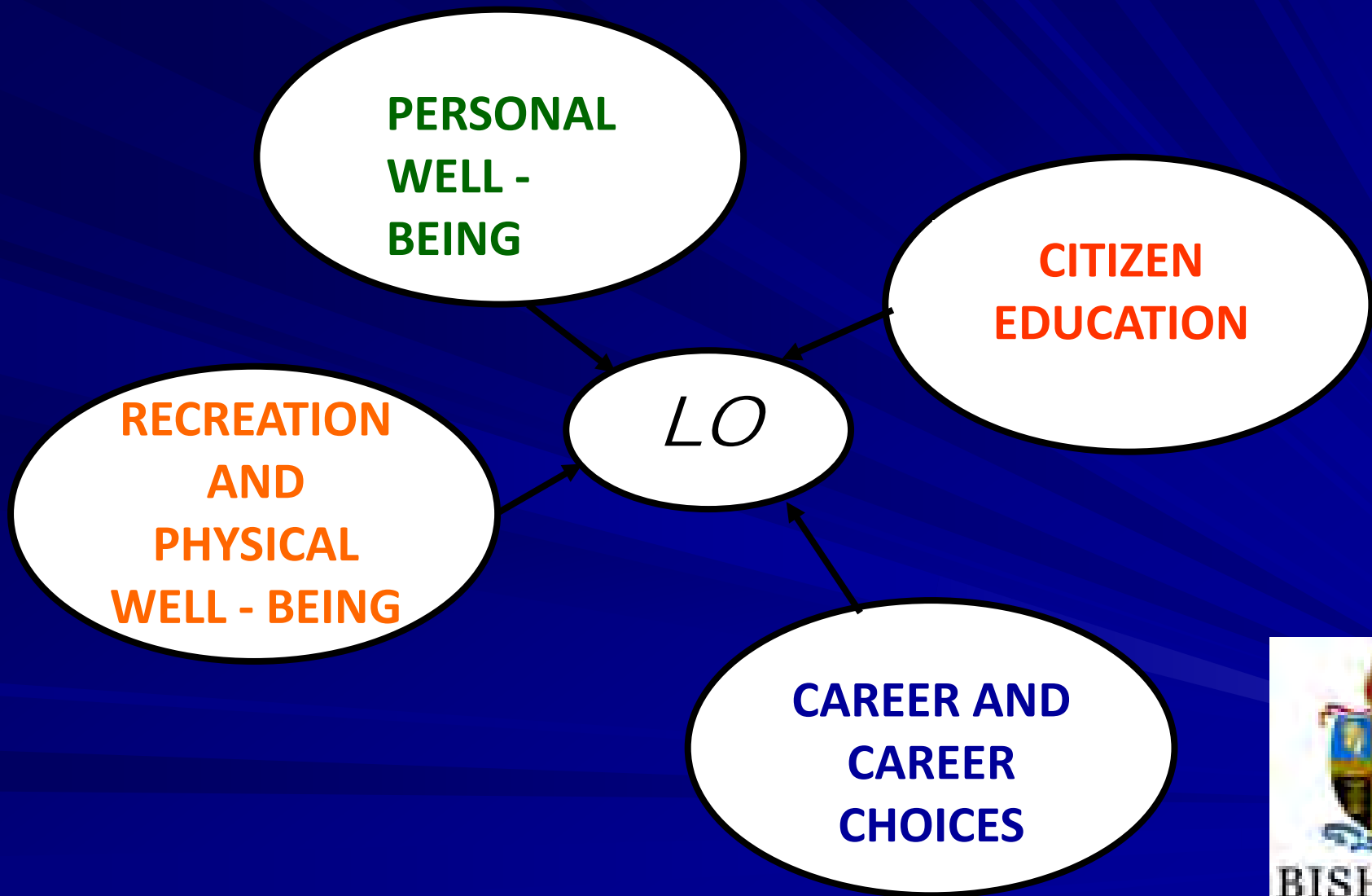
Mathematical Literacy –Not offered in Grade 10

- Practical / context driven
- NB: Competence in reading and understanding large sections of text

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LIFE ORIENTATION



ELECTIVE SUBJECTS

- THREE subjects
- IT and Economics aptitude tests
- Required subjects and then most important is enjoyment and **POINTS!!**



ADDITIONAL OPTIONS

- ✓ Additional subject(s) in the school timetable (AP Mathematics)
- ✓ Additional NSC subject(s) outside of Bishops

NATURE OF ASSESSMENT

GRADE 9: 60% CASS + 40% Final exam

GRADE 10 - 12: 25% CASS + 75% Final Exam

GRADE 12	INTERNAL	EXTERNAL
Subjects with practical component	CASS: 25% PRACTICAL: 25%	Final exam: 50%
Life Orientation	PORTFOLIO and PRACTICAL: 100%	Standardised test for moderation purposes

HOW TO CHOOSE SUBJECTS

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INTERESTS

What do I like to do?

REALISTIC about your ABILITIES

What do I do well?



PERSONAL VALUES

What is important to me?

KNOW YOURSELF

What type of person are you?

CAREER?



THE SUGGESTED PROCESS

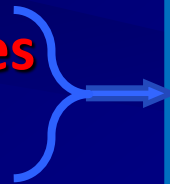
- ✓ No choice: English, Life Orientation, Mathematics
- ✓ Afrikaans/ IsiXhosa First Additional Language/Exempt?
- ✓ Physical Science? Will I definitely not need it?
- ✓ Aim for a spread of subjects based on **the skills they provide, competence, your enjoyment**
- ✓ Practical subjects and the time needed



Bishops subjects

- English
- Afrikaans
- IsiXhosa
- French
- Mathematics
- Mathematical Literacy

- **Physical Sciences**
- **Life Sciences**
- History
- Geography



All boys are expected
to study at least one
science

- Economics
- Accounting
- Information
Technology (IT)
- Music
- Dramatic Arts
- Visual Arts



Bishops choice

Physical Science		
Life Sciences	Life Sciences	Life Sciences
	History	History
	Accounting	Accounting
	Economics	Economics
	Information Technology	Information Technology
	Geography	Drama
		Visual Arts
		Music
		IsiXhosa SAL
		French SAL



Changing subjects later?

- 2 changes allowed in Grade 10 by 30 June
- 2 changes allowed in Grade 11 by 31 March

In an exceptional case one change can be made at year end

- NO CHANGES IN GRADE 12 AT ALL
- Some subjects cannot be selected later
(e.g. IT or Art)



Doing an extra subject?

- We offer 6 subjects and LO
- Own cost and arrangement
- Marks are included on the report card
- Evaluate motives for doing the extra subject
- School takes no responsibility



What can we do as parents?

ENCOURAGE INDEPENDENCE, RESPONSIBILITY AND TEAM SKILLS BY:

- Requiring self-discipline
- Require him to manage his time, deadlines, workload and sport
- Work before play
- Limit the time he spends entertaining himself instead of engaging in activities etc

INTRODUCE THEM TO THE REAL WORLD OF OUR WORK.

- Mediate the world to him: develop his critical thinking skills during dinner time conversations
- Talk about work related issues and watch the news

CHANGE OUR WAY OF THINKING

- Face our own unresolved issues, unreasonable expectations, limiting beliefs
- Never re-live our lives through our children; honour their individuality and calling
- Assist (not do) their research, double-check the details – ie “project manage” this process



What can your son do to develop his skills?



- Join societies to broaden his horizons
- Sign up for short online courses
- Take responsibility for aspects of family life/challenges
- Find a passion and volunteer
- Manage his online persona



In summary.....

PIE

- Passion
- Initiative
- Empathy

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The Reality Check

- University year: a “moving target”
- The “best of the bunch” ...Merit Ranking
- The Boy as the Brand
- The need for transferable skills.... (the right stuff, not the right bluff)
- What you can/will do, not what you have done 😊 Self-awareness is key
- “Minimum requirements” trap



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"Good Lord, I can't believe you're STILL
trying to figure out what you want to do
with your life."

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BROADEN YOUR INFORMATION BASE



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Read Books/Newspapers/Journals.....

*Just as it's impossible to walk through fine sand without
getting
a grain or two inside your shoes, so the reading of fine
writers
leaves a mark on your own prose.*

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THE WAY AHEAD

Friday 31 July – WEBSITE - powerpoint

- A link to an electronic form will be sent later this week

**DEADLINE FOR CHOICES TO BE SUBMITTED:
Monday 24 August**

CONSULT US

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